

SUPERINTENDENT WHITE ACCUSED BY ATTORNEY

Management of Insane Hospital Attacked.

WILL PRESENT CHARGES

To Be Filed with Secretary Walter E. Fisher.

Asserts Dr. White Does Not Give Sufficient Attention to the Patients and that He Rarely Visits the Wards of the Violent Insane—Capt. Anderson Also Makes Severe Criticism of the Conduct in Institution.

"Dr. William A. White, superintendent of the Government Hospital for the Insane, is unfit for the responsible position he holds. I can give details to substantiate this assertion in the charges which I will file against Dr. White with Secretary Fisher next week."

WILL FILE THEM.
The above statement was made by Richard P. Evans, a Washington attorney, with office at 112 New York avenue northwest, to a reporter for the Washington Herald, last night. Mr. Evans said he had come in contact with Dr. White many times while looking after the interests of clients who have been patients at the hospital.

"I know of a portion of the name of a woman who was severely punished by two of the guards at the asylum that he had been under the care of a doctor for two weeks as a result of the injuries he received," continued Mr. Evans. "There are a number of cases where guards have been so intimidated while on duty that they have refused to take any action against the patients who have taken their lives and recovered from them to prevent their falling into the hands of the more dangerous patients. I can mention many such cases, and some of the patients can bear me out in my statement."

"It is Dr. White's ambition to have one of the largest insane asylums in the world at Congress Heights and to precede over it. He never personally supervises the food given the patients and never says that they get their proper medicine. This he leaves to his subordinates, many of whom have had only a few months' experience. When he does take a short trip through some of the buildings near his office he does so hurriedly, without stopping to see how a patient is getting along. The same spirit prevails among subordinates. In many instances information and instructions are received by attendants from the superintendent, but they are not given to the patients. One building, located directly opposite the administration building, is the show place of the institution. This is the building every visitor is shown through on days when visitors are permitted. It is known as the 'L' building, on account of its construction. In it are housed the women patients who are rational. No violent cases are permitted to be lodged there, and Dr. White visits it daily. He told me that the other buildings are visited only about once a week, and that the wards of the violent insane are rarely seen by him."

"The story of Arthur Barnes, who told the authorities of the proposed escape Thursday, is another illustration of how the violent patients are prevented from doing harm more by the actions of the other inmates of the asylum than by the watchfulness of the guards. Barnes is not insane. This I know personally, as I have been interviewed in his case for some time and am now trying to have him released."

"I think it is a matter of the utmost importance that the criminal insane should be removed from the Capital and kept in constant confinement in their present quarters. The fact that the President, members of the Cabinet, and members of Congress are in the streets of Washington, should be sufficient argument against their being allowed their liberty."

"The force of guards at the asylum, Dr. White says, is insufficient to cope with the situation. Before the investigation committee about a year ago, he swore on the stand he had all the guards necessary. The guards are, for the most part, young men who are not capable of doing the duties assigned them."

WEALTHY MEN TO BE ASKED TO AID MEMORIAL

One Hundred Men, Worth \$100,000, the Slogan.

CITY'S SHARE IS \$250,000

Important Action Taken by Conventions Committee.

Chamber of Commerce Body Having in Charge the Proposed Hall in Memory of George Washington Decides Upon Interesting Method to Raise Capital City's Share of the Necessary Fund for Project.

One hundred residents of Washington, each worth \$100,000 or more, will be invited to a meeting by the committee directing the campaign to discuss ways and means of raising \$250,000, Washington's share of the \$2,500,000 necessary to erect the proposed George Washington Memorial Hall.

ACTION AT MEETING.
This was decided upon at a meeting of the conventions committee of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. The raising of Washington's subscription is in the hands of this committee, of which Granville M. Hunt is chairman, and is working in conjunction with the various commercial, civic, patriotic, and scientific organizations that will be benefited by such a building.

The plan, which has been in the minds of several interested in the campaign for some time, was presented to the committee yesterday by Richard B. Watrous, secretary of the American Civic Association. It met with instant and unanimous approval and is expected to prove one of the most potent factors in raising the amount required of Washington.

The date of the \$100,000 meeting has not been set. The plan was only roughly sketched by Mr. Watrous, who left the development and execution entirely in the hands of the committee.

It is proposed to learn from some financial rating agency the names of a large number of wealthy residents of Washington. The "list" for the \$100,000 campaign will be \$100,000. One hundred men credited with fortunes of this size or greater will be asked to "fill in."

A Vigorous Career.
Having started the subscription ball on a vigorous career, in the course of which it is expected to accumulate all the small contributions by means of a carefully planned house-to-house canvass, the committee is now ready to turn its attention to the wealth of this city. The men selected from the \$100,000 list will be as far as possible men who will be more or less vitally benefited by the building. They will include bankers, merchants, real estate men, and leaders in other lines of commercial and industrial activity.

Before these men, spokesmen from the committee will lay an imposing array of cold, hard facts, intended to prove beyond doubt that they will be individually and collectively benefited by such

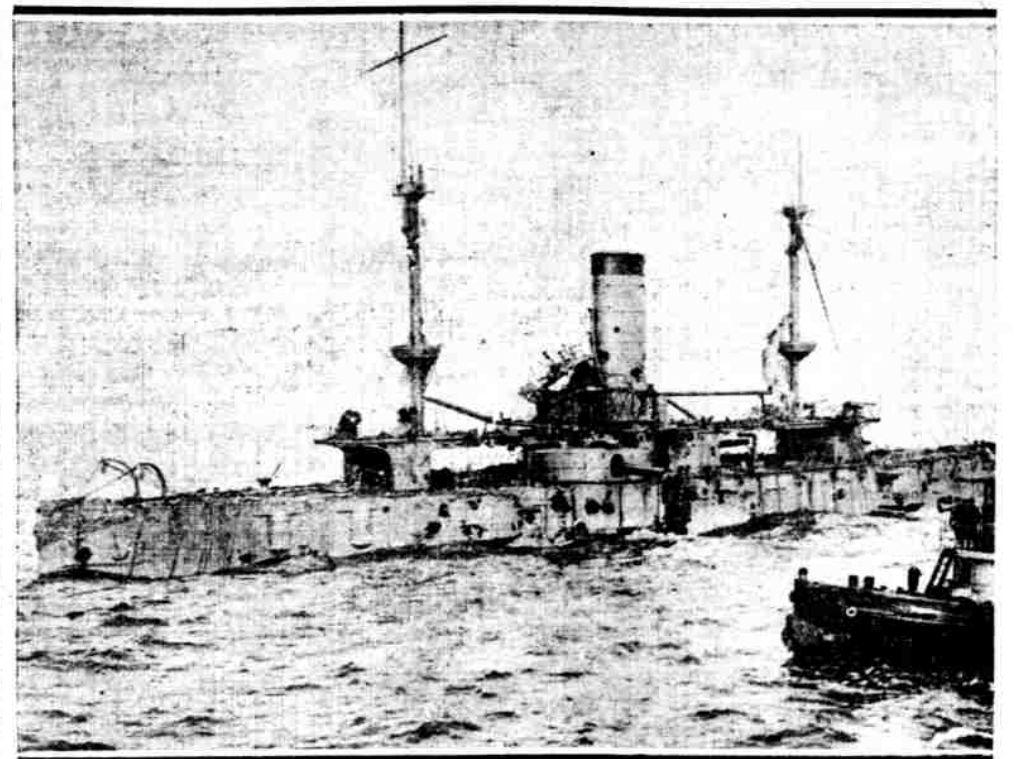
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OKLAHOMA FROWNS ON GUARANTY LAW

State Banks Are Seeking to Convert Institutions.

A stampede of Oklahoma State bankers to get from under the provisions of the Oklahoma State guaranty law is in evidence. The office of Comptroller of the Currency Murray is flooded with the applications of those who are desirous of converting their institutions into national banks.

DESTRUCTION OF THE SAN MARCOS, FORMERLY THE TEXAS.



A port-side view of the San Marcos, showing the many holes made during the first period of firing in the naval tests in Tangier Sound, Chesapeake Bay, this week. Only two broadsides were necessary for gunners of the New Hampshire to put the San Marcos completely out of commission. The accompanying cut gives some idea of the condition of the condemned war ship when the gunners had finished with her. So great was the havoc wrought by the New Hampshire's shells that the naval officers were uncertain at first whether they dared go aboard her for fear she might crumble in on them.

KATHERINE ELKINS REPORTED MARRIED

Return to City Starts Gossip of Secret Wedding.

New York, March 24.—The New York American this morning prints the following special dispatch:
"Washington, March 24.—A rumor is circulating around Washington tonight that Miss Katherine Elkins and William Reynolds Hitt, of Chicago and Washington, were married in Arizona early this week on their Southern tour."

A note stating this rumor was sent to both Mr. Hitt and Miss Elkins. At the Hitt mansion the information was given that Mr. Hitt was at the Elkins home, in K street northwest, and the note was carried there and received by Mr. Hitt. Both Mr. Hitt and Miss Elkins sent back the noncommittal sentence: "No answer."

"The fact of Mr. Hitt's being present at Mrs. Elkins' home tonight is all the more noticeable because the rest of Washington society is in attendance at the White House musicale, a festivity Miss Elkins could not attend on account of her mourning."

It is known that Mr. Hitt and Miss Elkins spent a part of the week in the Grand Canyon section of Arizona under the chaperonage of Miss Elkins' sister-in-law, Mrs. Blaine Elkins. Society here has been in momentary expectation of the news of an engagement, at least, and therefore does not hesitate to believe that Miss Katherine has already stolen a march on her friends.

"The report has traveled like wildfire through Washington society to-night, and the silence of the parties most concerned tends to give credence to it."

"Society is laughing at the way the clever young people stole a march on them when they arranged the dual boat race with the Joseph Letters in Florida. First Miss Elkins went South to join the merry household party on its big game hunting trip. Another coup was pulled off when it was announced that Mr. Hitt was returning with the Letters to Washington last week, while Miss Elkins was going to Palm Beach to join her mother. Instead of that Mr. Hitt left the Letter party somewhere en route and joined Miss Elkins and her party for a merry jaunt through the Grand Canyon en route to Washington, where they arrived late last night."

MOTHERHOOD AS VOCATION ADVOCATED BY DR. SHAW

Suffrage Leader Believes State Should Pay Women for Their Service in Nursery.

New York, March 24.—Discussing the bill introduced in the Illinois legislature to tax bachelors for the purpose of paying bounties on babies, Dr. Anna Shaw, president of the National Suffrage Association, to-day declared a tax on bachelors to be an absurdity, and said this proposition and many others of similar character "were the direct product of Mr. Roosevelt's race suicide theories."

PACIFIC SHIP AFIRE.

Crew of Vessel Compelled to Take to Boats.

Eureka, Cal., March 24.—A steamship is afire off Table Bluff at 9 o'clock to-night. The crew was compelled to take to the boats. The vessel is drifting helplessly.

GAYNOR IS FREED ON PAUPER'S OATH

Bolts for Door After Answering Formal Question.

Atlanta, March 24.—Looking weak and aged, and at times wild in his words, John P. Gaynor went on the stand this afternoon to secure his freedom by taking the pauper's oath. While the government was represented, the opposition was merely a formal one, and only the regulation question was asked Gaynor: "Have you anything of value now held for you or to be used in the future for your benefit?"

"Not a thing, I've spent every d—cent," was his startling reply, bringing immediately from Commissioner Colquhoun's lips a caution to go slow on the point.

Told he was free, he picked up his hat and bolted for the door.

"Where are you going?" he was asked. "To get something to eat?" he fired back.

SPEEDY POWER BOAT.

English Vessel Makes Fifty-seven Miles an Hour.

London, March 24.—E. McKay Edgar's motorboat Maple Leaf III, showed a wonderful burst of speed in a trial on the Solent to-day, making forty-nine and one half knots an hour. Measured in miles, this is fifty-seven miles an hour. This is a world's record. The Maple Leaf III, took part in the motorboat regatta at Monaco a year ago.

The phenomenal speed credited to Maple Leaf III has never been equaled in this country. Dixie III, winner of the international races last summer, traveled under forty miles an hour.

TWO IN RUNAWAY THROWN TO GROUND

Mad Horse Dashes Down Massachusetts Avenue.

Frightened by a passing car, a spirited horse driven by Dr. Daniel Stuart, son of Admiral D. D. V. Stuart, U. S. N., dashed madly down Massachusetts avenue extended yesterday afternoon. In the small hocky was a young woman who had gone driving with Dr. Stuart.

DIGNOWTY NOT EXECUTED.

San Antonio, March 24.—That John Hamilton Dignowty was executed in Mexico is denied by his father, William Dignowty, of this city, who says the story sent out of San Antonio had no foundation in fact. He has been in communication with his son recently, and said at the date the alleged execution took place he knows the man reported executed was alive.

MORGAN ACQUIRES CONTROL OF BANK

Big New York Institution Added to His String.

New York, March 24.—J. P. Morgan & Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the National City Bank, and the First National Bank have acquired a large part of the National Bank of Commerce stock owned by the Equitable Life Assurance Society and the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

It is understood that J. S. Alexander, the president of the bank, will succeed Valentine P. Snyder, who retires. The capital of the bank is \$5,000,000. The Equitable Life holds \$5,022,100 in par value of the stock, and the Mutual Life holds \$3,028,800 par value. Thomas P. Ryan owns 5,000 shares of the stock, and the estate of E. H. Harriman between 3,000 and 6,000 shares.

In addition to its capital of \$5,000,000, the bank of commerce has surplus and undivided profits of \$7,068,800. Its deposits, as shown in last Saturday's bank statement, amount to \$10,211,460. Its loans and discounts total \$33,430,990, and it has \$12,518,600 bank notes outstanding.

CAVALRY DRILLS GIVEN.

Fashionable Crowd Sees Exhibit at Fort Myer.

Cavalry drills were given as usual in the post drill hall at Fort Myer yesterday afternoon.

The exhibition consisted of Cossack riding by a detachment of Troop D, of the Fifteenth Cavalry, under command of Capt. H. C. Smith; a jumping drill by a detachment of Troop B, under command of W. R. Andrews, of the Fifteenth Cavalry; a broadsword contest by a detachment of Troop D, under command of Lieut. C. S. McNeill, and two musical drills, one by Troop C, commanded by Capt. Warren Dean, and one by Troop A, commanded by Capt. Julian R. Lind.

APPEAL FOR THE CLERKS.

Gordon Circulars Distributed at Census Office and G. P. O.

Pulitzer R. Gordon, promoter of the campaign to obtain better salaries for government clerks by means of personal letters to all members of Congress, yesterday finished distributing the last of 20,000 circulars containing his speech on the subject and which caused some comment by reason of the fact that he criticized President Taft.

FIVE FIREMEN KILLED.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 24.—Five firemen lost their lives this morning when the factory of the Middleton Hat Company was destroyed by fire. One fireman is in the Emergency Hospital fatally injured, and sixteen are slightly hurt. The fire broke out at 10 o'clock, and the firemen were called to the scene.

MEXICAN CABINET RESIGNS IN BODY; SITUATION GRAVE

General Public Badly Depressed by Failure to Quell Insurrection.

LIMANTOUR FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

President and Retiring Ministers Refuse to Discuss Political Status of Events—Diaz's Plans Unknown.

Mexico City, March 24.—Early to-day rumors were current in this city that the entire Diaz cabinet had resigned in a body. To-night this was officially confirmed.

The resignations came after a day that had been spent in conferences. Before 10 o'clock in the forenoon the members of the cabinet called on President Diaz, and for more than four hours they were closeted together. It was evident that matters of vital importance were being discussed, but all efforts to get any information were unavailing. Not one of those most directly interested would say a word.

NO CLEW TO ACTION.

To all inquiries they returned the invariable reply that they had pledged themselves to refuse to discuss the situation in any of its aspects. All government officials said that they had been instructed to say nothing, and especially not to confirm or to deny any rumors that might be in circulation as to the political status of events. This evident secrecy gave rise to no end of conjecture on the part of the ministers, and many rumors were in circulation.

As the cabinet ministers emerged from the conference with the President they were questioned one at a time, but not one of them would divulge the slightest clue to what had taken place in the executive offices. They joined in saying that any information as to what had taken place must come from President Diaz himself.

Limantour to Be Retained.

It was not stated whether the resignations had been accepted. It is known, however, that those of Cuel, Fernandez, Molina, and probably that of Vives will be accepted. It also is said that Limantour will be retained and that he will be transferred from the post of minister of finance to that of minister of foreign affairs.

It is known, however, that there has been much friction among members of the cabinet since the return of Minister Limantour from his trip abroad. The other members of the cabinet seemed to be dissatisfied with the plans which Limantour brought back with him from the United States. On the very best authority it is stated that the resignation of Cuel will be accepted, and that he will be transferred from the post of minister of finance to that of minister of foreign affairs.

The resignations in the cabinet have had a very depressing effect on public opinion. It had been thought until now that the government was getting the upper hand of the situation, but to-day's developments lead to the conclusion that the end of the present trouble is further off than at any time before. It is pointed out that those in authority are badly divided as to the proper course to pursue in putting down the insurrection, and this has impressed the general public badly.

It was learned to-night that Senor Molina, minister of improvements, resigned yesterday, and that his resignation was accepted by President Diaz. The other members resigned at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mexico Orders 30,000 Rifles.

London, March 24.—Agents of the Mexican government signed a contract in London to-day for 30,000 Marten-Hale rifles and grenades for use in Mexico against the insurgent forces. The contract stipulates immediate shipment.

WAR SCARE IN EAST.

Lloyds Raises Rate on Chance of Russian-Chinese Row.

London, March 24.—Several London firms engaged in trading with the far East received cables from the Orient to-day to the effect that war between Russia and China is expected to be declared in a short time. Lloyds' rate to cover the risk of an outbreak of hostilities during the next four weeks rose to-day from 5 to 10 guineas per cent.

Paris advices, however, indicate that there has been an improvement in the relations between Russia and China.

FREED IN LORIMER CASE.

State Senator Found Not Guilty in Sangamon County Court.

Springfield, Ill., March 24.—After being out twenty minutes, the jury, on the second ballot in the case of State Senator John S. Broderick, of Chicago, who is charged with paying Senator Daniel Holtzclaw, of Iuka, \$2,500 for voting for Lorimer for United States Senator, returned a verdict of not guilty in the Sangamon Circuit Court to-day.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return Saturday and Sunday via Penn. R. R. Tickets good to return until Sunday night. All regular trains except the "Congressional Limited."